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GET WISDOM.

A Poem.

DOUBLE ACROSTIC

1. *Get wisdom, ye that love the Lord,
And ye that love the Lord's command;
For wisdom is the gift of God,
And ye shall love the Lord's command.*

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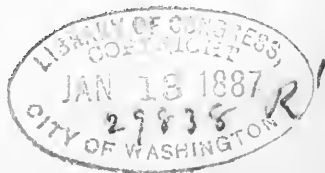
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EXPLANATIONS.

1. THE DOUBLE ACROSTIC.—The first letters of all the lines read the same as the first line of each stanza. The last letters of all the lines read the same as the last line.
2. THE MAGIC BAND.—These expressions compose the Magic Band.
3. LIVING GEMS.—In each stanza are words which, read in the order of their numbers, form sentences of great note and authority; and which *will live* until “Time shall be no longer.”

PREFACE.

Expecting
Counsel, Courage
Accurate And
For Fortitude
Entirely Ever
Reading Remarkable,
People **"Get Wisdom."** Perhaps,
Reading Reliable
Examining Encouragement
From For
Accrue, A
Can Contest
Endless

JOHN CALVIN BRIGHT.

Thanksgiving, 1886.

DEDICATION.

DEDICATED
TO ALL LOVERS
OF
WISDOM AND EDUCATION,
BY THE AUTHOR.

Get Wisdom.

SIGHT.

*¹Get ²wisdom ³and educate.—

Employ all thy heart and mind,
That truth may prevail; that thou,
Whilst combating with magic,
Insidious trials—a

Sure state of our earth sin-girt—
Destroy their wrong influence.

Open thine eyes with care. A

Myriad things environ,
And thy 'understanding and
Nice scrutiny ask thee.—Bring,
Devotedly, all to the
Eternal Creator. Light
Descends from His Hand, and how
Unwearied the windows (I
Call them) of the soul, address,
Ask it to enter the mind,
Thus well assisting thee to
Educate and get wisdom.

SIGHT.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Exult with thy heart, for God

Thine eyes hath unclosed, that thou,

³Without the least stint—magic

Idea—enjoy with a

Sweet transport, the beauties that

Deline His ⁴great ²excellence.

Oh, let thy living eyes—a

Might they possess through all an

Aberrant dark sphere attend—

Neglect not the opening,

Distinctly, of all that the

Exterior world present!

Devotedly ⁵labor, show

Unbending attention (I

Charge thee) with thy active eyes,

As thy bright days roll onward,

That thou *¹no chances lose to

Educate and get wisdom.

*COMMON PROVERB.

HEARING.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Exert thy quick ears, the grand

Tel'phones of the mind, that thou

Wilt richly enjoy classic

Ideas, criteria

Sure, harmonies grand and sweet,

Delightful and valu'ble.

Oh! make thy tympanums—a

Marvelous pair—entertain

And use these great treasures, and

Necessitate progress; cling

Devoutly to all of the

Essential instructions that

Develop ²thyself; and ^{*1}know

Unless they are stamped deep (I

Command) on thy memory's

Accurate page, and there held

Tightly, they'll never help to

Educate and get wisdom.

*SOLON.

HEARING.

Get wisdom and educate.—
Exclude from thy 'ears the word
Traducent, profane. In lieu,
Without a delay tragic,
Immutable truth give a
Swift welcome, conclusions ²that
Determine the right, and the
Obvious principles a
Man may with safety attain.
Attentively ⁹hear all God
Necessitates thee, to bring
Deliverance from all the
Emergencies *¹He ³hath sent.
Decide ⁵to ⁶hear ⁸Him, and show
Unfailing attachment (I
Charge thee) to His Holy Books.
And ⁷let thy memory aid
Thee to complete the work—to
Educate and get wisdom.

*BIBLE.

TASTE.

Get wisdom and educate.—
 Educe from the blessings God
 Throws into thy path, that thou
 Walk wisely, the hygi'nic,
 Invigorous strength, that a
 Strong body and mind can not
 Deceived be by sin ; because
 Onerous duties, and a
 Multitude, on th' uneven
 Ascent of thy life, demand
 Nice care. As, then, ev'rything
 Distributed by this sense
 Exerts a great power, let
 Discretion be used ; for how
 Unbending's the influ'nce, (I
 *¹Consider) this organ has.
 Advocate, then, to ²the ³end,
 Truths hygienic, and so
 Educate and get wisdom.

TASTE.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Extract from all climes such food

That thee strength imparts, that thou

Wilt have a pure soul, logic

(I reason) result of a

Supremacy over what

Deranges the appetite.

Oh! *¹touch ²not, ⁵handle ⁶not, a

Mite, in the trials of an

Aspiring and restless world,

Not fully designed to bring

Deportment commendable.

Examine with care all that

Delighteth thy ³taste and show

Unyielding submission (I

Command thee) to all the laws

As hygienic are held.

Thus ⁴not to check the work—to

Educate and get wisdom.

*BIBLE.

SMELL.

Get wisdom and educate.—
Exceeding sweet odors, good,
Transcendent, arise, that thou,
With pleasure great, ecstatic,
Inhale and enjoy them. A
Strength has ²thy olfactor not?
Deny to it none of the
Odors refreshing that a
Meet ³opportunity, then,
Advances. Nay, more, thou should
No pains, therefore, spare to bring
Desirable fragrance—the
Essential constituent—
Directly to thy use. *¹Know
Unusual prudence (I
Charge thee) that the tempting fumes,
As from the still they proceed,
Tear not thy efforts down to
Educate and get wisdom.

*PITTACUS.

SMELL.

Get wisdom and educate.—
Exclude from thy nostrils and
Thy lungs, ev'rything that, thou,
With efforts most heroic,
³In trying to *¹gather a
Secure store of wisdom not
Deficient in any place,
Obviously impairs. (A
Myriad duties of an
Assuming fast age demand
Nice care). As thou pass along
Direct into ²them the pure,
Essential ambrosias that
Delight all thy veins, bestow
Unfeigned and great power (I
Consider) for all thy works,—
Active and powerful and
Tangible help and aid to
Educate and get wisdom.

*COMMON CHORUS.

FEELING.

Get wisdom and educate.—

**Endeavor with all the grand
Thread-work of sensation, thou,
Within and throughout—antic,
Invisible guardians ; yea,
Swift messengers of the light,
Destruction, and peace, and woe,**

Openly, secretly ; yea,

**Mighty detectors of 'men
Assumptively good, and 'bad,
Neglecting not all to bring,
Delivering it to the
Extreme and *'most quiet part,
Deceiving thee not ; how, how
Unable the secrets (I
Conclude) the great crowd of nerves
'Are to retain ; words, deeds, and
Thoughts by them spread, received — to
Educate and get wisdom.**

* BIAS.

FEELING.

Get wisdom and educate.—

**Effect by this sense, * “The Lord
Though Servant of all,” what thou**

Wilt fail with those. Eclectic,

Intrinsic entwiner; a

Secure and great power that

Directs all the others; the

Obstacles by it moved; a

Mean for the labors which an

Assuming, unprincipled,

Nay, merciless world belong!

Detect and obtain by the

Exact and quick nerves, all that

Devotion to truth and law,

Unfailingly brings thee — (I

Cry) solid protection, bliss

Actual, knowledge profound,

Training remarkable. O,

Educate and get wisdom.

* OF CHRIST.

ALL THE SENSES.

Get wisdom and educate.—
Examine with care the world
Throughout with these senses, thou,—
With faculties these public.
³Impossible 't'is ⁴to plea,
Secure any good, without
Depending upon their use,
Only, and wholly. Then a
Mighty exertion, and an
Assiduous effort lend;
No ⁵industry, *¹nothing strong,
Discreet be withheld; that the
Ecstatic enjoyments that
Distinguish thee, and bestow
Unusual profit (I
Consider) in all thy ways,
Answer success; may reward
Thee in thy diligence to
Educate and get wisdom.

* PERIANDER.

ALL THE SENSES.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Elect by these senses and

Triumphantly use, all thou

Wilt need to meet sarcastic,

Illusive temptation,— a

Success in the business that

Devolves, without doubt, on thee

Of a *¹necessity. **A**

Magical power, often,

Abused, have these organs. **And**

No virtue and ev'rything

Devised, every ⁴law and the

Entire education that

Distinguishes thee, but show,

Undoubtedly, great skill (**I**

Conclude) of these faculties.

All thy great powers ²know(s), and

Them all employ to help to

Educate and get wisdom.

THE TONGUE.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Extreme be thy watching and

Thy care that, in prudence, thou,

With all thy care tyrannic,

(²Is it?) forget not to a

Sweet grace give to all thy thought

Delivered. Let kindness, ³the

Only complete subdu'r, a

Most entertaining trait, an

Ability unsurpassed

Ne'er fail thee impart and bring ;

Dress all ⁵of thy words with care,

Exceedingly good and great ;

Dear *¹suretyship bestow,

Unusual ; cause swift (**I**

Call) ⁶ruin to all thy foes ;

And a ⁴precursor be, and

Truthful expositor to

Educate and get wisdom.

*THALES.

THE TONGUE.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Excess in thy speech *¹avoid.

Thy tongue, the great power thou

Wield, worthily, dramatic

Indeed, use. Distill with a

Success, and in time, the light

Devotion to truth, alone,

Opens to ev'ry one, — a

Magnetism which creates an

Atttractive, resistless, and

Nutritious result. And strong

Deductions from prem'ses the

Expressions of which can not

Denied be by none, thou blow,

Until they're accepted. I

Conclude, that harsh language shows

Adamantean heart, and

Thought not conducive to

Educate and get wisdom.

*CLEOBULUS.

WISDOM OR WEALTH.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Essay not to live for gold.

Thy *¹millions may perish, thou

Work slavishly ²for. Magic

Intriguer is Wealth, and a

Strange foe, proud and arrogant,

Devoid of the finer, the

Obvious feelings that a

Man with the image of an

Almighty Creator should,

No doubt, have. Then, anything

³Defense may suggest, require,

Expect, do ⁵not thou ⁶one ⁷cent

Deny. ⁴But with judgment show

Unusual grace, great (I

Call) ⁸training ⁹for happiness,

Actual, real; and thus spend

⁹Tribute and principal to

Educate and get wisdom.

*PICKNEY.

WISDOM OR WEALTH.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Extol far above thy gold,

*¹The traits that ennobles thou,

Without fail. For dogmatic

Is trust in thy ⁴money, a

Shame, shame to thy spirit. Let

Discretion control thy ²love.

Obsequies claim all wealth. A

Monument infinite, an

Authentic sign ³of God,

Necessitating all strong

Deductions ⁸of truth to thee,

Essential, ⁵is Wisdom that,

Devoutly, inclines to bow,

Until ⁹all ⁶the ¹⁰evil (I

Conclude) is without ⁷root. Thus,

Actuated and controlled,

Thou to thy work proceed to

Educate and get wisdom.

* BIBLE.

WISDOM OR FAME.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Excessive desire attend

Thee all 'the day long, that thou

Win fame, so grand, elastic.

I ask : 'have *'we 'met such a

Strong foe as Ambition ? that

Demoniac, who, because

Others do not bow in a

Myriad contests of an

Austere world, becomes enraged !

No 'enemy is so strong,

Deceitful as envy, the

Extract of ambition. It

Destroys friendships sweet ; 'they show,

Unfailingly, that his (I

Cry) touch paralyzes 'ours.

'Are we not ready to spend,

Thoroughly, all our time to

Educate 'and get wisdom ?

WISDOM OR FAME.

Get wisdom and educate.—
Emphatic attempts to hold
Thyself from the height which thou
Wilt be enticed, emphatic,
I bid thee to make. For a
Strong foe is Ambition that
Dethrones all the race from the
Opulence, Happiness, a
³Mighty Creator has in
A state of Protection! ⁴And
No *¹truth ²is so strengthening,
Discounted as this: That the
Eternal Preserver that
Directs both above, below,
Until all that's faulty (I
Call) ⁵will be perfected, says:
“Ask thou for wisdom, by and
Through it thou shalt ⁶prevail.” O,
Educate and get wisdom.

*COMMON PROVERB.

EXAMPLES.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Examples of ⁸this the world

Throughout her great record, thou

Wilt find, hast made. Didactic

(¹¹It always will) labor, a

Strong, earnest endeavor brought,

Distinctly, to notice the

Orators, statesmen, and a

Mighty array of wise men—

Analogists, poets, and

Nice scholars in ev'rything,

Devote all thy ¹⁴summer, the

Expanding resources, that

Develop, ²propose ³to show,

Unroll thy mind's strength, ¹⁰if (*¹I

Charge thee) ⁵it ⁶out-⁹line success.

Ably ⁴fight ⁷on, and work, and

¹²**Take** sure swift courage, ¹²all to

Educate and get wisdom.

* GRANT.

EXAMPLES.

Get wisdom and educate.—

Examples I still append,

That courage essential thou

Wilt have to proceed—logic

Idea—to gain what a

Sweet consciousness craves, with that

Desire, *¹first, which lives ¹²of thee.

Onerous duties, ⁴first, a

Multitude have performed in

A week way—⁵in ⁶peace. Attained

None have without suffering

Determined ²in ³war, all the

Experience ⁷and delight

Depainted ⁹in Wisdom's Law.

Until, ¹⁴countrymen, wrongs (I

Command) removed from our ¹¹hearts

Are, we should ask ¹⁰the great God,

To ¹³His strength share, ⁸first, last. O

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